

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Owens House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old Joppa Road

CITY, TOWN

Joppa

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

— VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

—DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

—STRUCTURE

—SITE

—OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

—PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

—BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

—IN PROCESS

—BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

—UNOCCUPIED

—WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

—YES: RESTRICTED

—YES: UNRESTRICTED

—NO

PRESENT USE

—AGRICULTURE

—COMMERCIAL

—EDUCATIONAL

—ENTERTAINMENT

—GOVERNMENT

—INDUSTRIAL

—MILITARY

—MUSEUM

—PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

—RELIGIOUS

—SCIENTIFIC

—TRANSPORTATION

—OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Albert and Nan M. Owens

Telephone #: 679-3986

STREET & NUMBER

Old Joppa Road

CITY, TOWN

Joppa

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21085

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of Circuit Court

Liber #: GRG 599

Folio #: 633

STREET & NUMBER

40 S. Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

Maryland STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This rubble stone house is located on a lane west of Old Joppa Road about 0.2 miles north of Franklinville Road. The house is built into the bank of a hill and faces north west. It is set back off Old Joppa Road behind a row of Tall trees. The 24.19 acres of land consists mostly of meadow.

The dwelling is 1½ stories high on the northeast side and 2½ stories high on the south east side. It is 5 bays by 2. The gable flank roof is covered with slate and has two stone corbelled chimneys, one on each of the gable ends. The chimneys protrude half way out of the walls. Two small triangular windows flank the chimneys close to the roof line. There are also 2 attic windows flanking the chimneys on both gable ends.

The arrangement of the windows and dormers on the northwest side is:

dorm dorm
W W D W W

The arrangement of the windows and dormers on the southeast side is:

dorm dorm dorm
W W W D W W W

Windows on the northwest side, first floor are 8 lights over 8. All other windows are 6 lights over 6. The doors are inset. The dormers are gable front.

Plain quoins are at each corner of the rubble stone walls. On the south corner of the west wall there is a datestone of 1841 and the initials J M D. The "M" is written larger than the "J" and the "D". This usually indicates the initial of the surname in a monogram.

The first floor on the south appears to be an exposed cellar. The rooms at this level are used for cellar type duties (laundry room, work area, family room).

A four bay, two tiered porch is attached to the south east wall. There is an entrance in the center bay of the second elevation.

The entire interior was completely remodelled in 1945.

There is a rubble stone spring house located to the south east of the house. It is one story high and has two very small windows on the east and west sides. These are 2 lights over 2. The spring house is built into a hill and the southern entrance is on a lower level than the northern entrance. Both are located in the center of the wall. The roof is gable front and covered with tar paper.

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PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1841

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

"JMD"

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The tract on which this pleasant stone dwelling stands, was patented in 1673 by John Davis. Then, the tract, Turkey Hills, consisted of 200 acres. The 1783 Maryland Tax list shows Hannah and Stephen Onion as the owners of this land and in 1785, the property was deeded over to Stephen's sister, Charity Onion, in accordance with the wishes of their late father, Zacheus. There may have been a frame dwelling somewhere on the original acreage, as a John Walker is listed in 1814 as having one in the general vicinity.

The datestone indicates that this house was built in 1841 and the quality of the workmanship is such that the stone mason was proud enough to put his initials in the datestone. It is not known what the initials (a monogram) "JMD" stand for.

The house is important for its fine workmanship as well as for its place in the Jerusalem community. It, along with the other houses, farm buildings, school, and mill, presents an idea of how a community grew up in a rich farm area centered around a mill.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1783 Maryland Tax List.
 1798 Federal Tax List.
 1814 Tax List

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 24.19 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Land borders on Old Joppa Road.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Susan Deeney, Field Historian

December 6, 1976

ORGANIZATION

Historic District Commission

DATE

838-6000 ext. 207

STREET & NUMBER

45 South Main Street

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 267-1438

TITLE SEARCH
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Albert H. and Nan M. Owens
Old Joppa Road
Joppa, MD

GRG	599/633	8/24/62	Grantor: Dorothy E. Plunkett, widow Grantee: Albert H. and Nan M. Owens Acreage: 24.19 acres this is arecord of the Mortgage
HDC	906/12		Release
GRG	487/312	8/14/57	Grantor: William S. and Ruth Ann Armiger Grantee: Barry J. and Dorothy E. Plunkett Acreage: 24.19 acres
GRG	389/107	1/28/53	Grantor: Jack A. Kolscher Grantee: William S. and Ruth Ann Armiger
GCB	290/274	8/30/45	Grantor: Malcom C. and Anna Foster Cary Grantee: Jack A. Kolscher
GCB	263/116		Grantor: John A. and Virginia D. Hoy Grantee: Malcom C. and Ann Foster Cary
SWC	248/34	8/30/37	Grantor: Karolina Sinsko Grantee: John A. and Virginia D. Hoy
JAR	176/59	10/5/21	Grantor: Roland L. and Emma Reeves Grantee: Jozef Sinsko and Karolina Sinsko Acreage: 25 acres more or less
JAR	160/229	5/20/18	Grantor: John W. Burrier, et al Grantee: Roland L. and Emma Reeves Acreage: 25 acres, more or less; Heirs of John W. Burrier, deceased, sell family property.
ALJ	48/227	11/23/1883	Grantor: Jones and Sarah E.B. Davidson Grantee: John A. Burrier Acreage: part of two tracts- "Turkey Hills" and Archibald's Addition"
TSB	6/355	10/19/1852	Grantor: Last Will and Testament of John Davidson to his sons, Grantee: Jones and Thomas L. Davidson Acreage: 49 acres, Turkey Hills and Archibald's Addition
HD	26/73	11/30/1841	Grantor: Upton and Pricila Reid Grantee: John S. Davidson Acreage: 112 acres Turkey Hills and Archibald's Addition
HD	17/248	2/27/1834	Grantor: John Wesly Walker and Rachel Walker Grantee: Upton and Pricila Reid Acreage: 2 parts of a tract called Turkey Hills consisting of 69 5/8 acres and 72 3/4 acres.
HD	1/230	8/26/1817	Grantor: Thomas Todd Grantee: John Wesly and Rachel Walker
HD	Y/177	5/12/1814	Grantor: Matthew Walker Grantee: Thomas Todd

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HD	X/121	10/12/1812	Grantor: Josiah S. Mc Comas Grantee: Matthew Walker
HD	W/401	6/12/1812	Grantor: John Marche Grantee: Josiah S. Mc Comas Acreage: 162 acres Turkey Hills
JLG	F/392	8/8/1785	Grantor: Stephen Onion, Executor Grantee: Charity Onion this was in fulfillment of their father's will
AJ	2/498	11/3/1781	Grantor: Last Will and Testament of Zacheus Onion Grantee: Charity Onion

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INVENTORY NO. 440

ELECTION DISTRICT _____

DATE: 8/19/76

TAX MAP NO. _____

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

PARCEL NO. _____

NAME OF PROPERTY: Brown HouseLOCATION OF PROPERTY: Old Lappa Rd.DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: NW

NAME OF OWNER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

STORIES: 1[1 1/2] 2[] 3[] 4[] 5[] 6[] BAYS: 5x2 *small vent under gable end*WINGS, ADDITIONS: *3 corners visible*

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- [] FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten(type?)
 [] BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
 [✓] STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
 [] LOG

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS NONEFOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE part of wall

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1[] 2/2[] 6/6[] 9/6[] 9/9[] other[] *a few on front*
 pegged[] nailed[] wide[✓] narrow[] *new chromed on cella end*
 original[] replaced[] *SE side*

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: 1 on NW side 2 on SE side and over other *ALL IN SET*
 HARDWARE: original[] replaced[]
 FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES:

original[] replaced[]

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, MANSARD, FLAT, DORMERS *2 new gabled dormers on NW*
 MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt *3 " " " on SE*

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed[] hip[] gable[] *4 DAY DOUBLE DECK PORCH - over cella*
on SE side - R.C.P.L.

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK[] STONE[✓] CORBELED[] original[] replaced[]
 LOCATION: W2ND & 2ND E + W ENDS

ARCHES:

COMMENTS: exped cella on rear and sides

IMO
1841 on stone of SW corner of house

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Stone spring time in new years NW woodchoppers very small ^{2 panned} mounds as
Olson Seaside and Lepper E. W. side
out of NW side

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INVENTORY NO. 440 ELECTION DISTRICT _____
 DATE: 8/19/74 TAX MAP NO. _____
 REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor PARCEL NO. _____
 NAME OF PROPERTY: Owens House and Spring house
 LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Old Joppa Road
 DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: N W
 NAME OF OWNER: Albert and Nan Owens
 ADDRESS: Old Joppa Road

STORIES: 1^{1/2} ^{front} [] 2 [] 3 [] 4 [] 5 [] 6 [] BAYS: 1 [] 2 [] 3 [] 4 [] 5 []
 WINGS, ADDITIONS: ^{2 1/2 rear} Built into bank 6 [] 7 [] []

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

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FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

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WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1 [] 2/2 [] 6/6 [✓] 9/6 [] 9/9 [] other [✓] 8/8
 pegged [] nailed [] wide [] narrow []
 original [] replaced [✓]

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: _____

HARDWARE: original [] replaced []

FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES:

original [] replaced []

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, MANSARD, FLAT, DORMERS

MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original [] replaced [✓]

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed [] hip [] gable [✓]

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK [] STONE [] CORBELED [✓] original [] replaced []LOCATION: exterior gable ends

ARCHES:

COMMENTS:

J M D
1841

1945
inside
completely
remodeled



South east of
house:

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Stone Spring house

Far paper roof

1 window

east side

center

door on
N + S end

4 W side

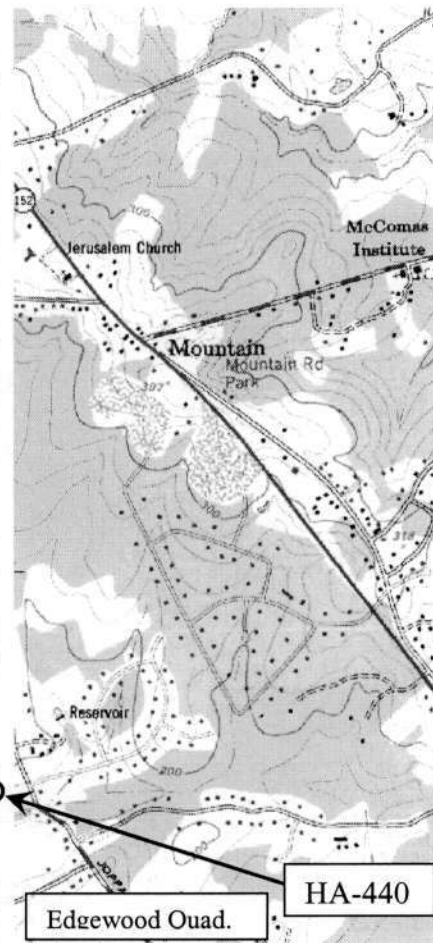
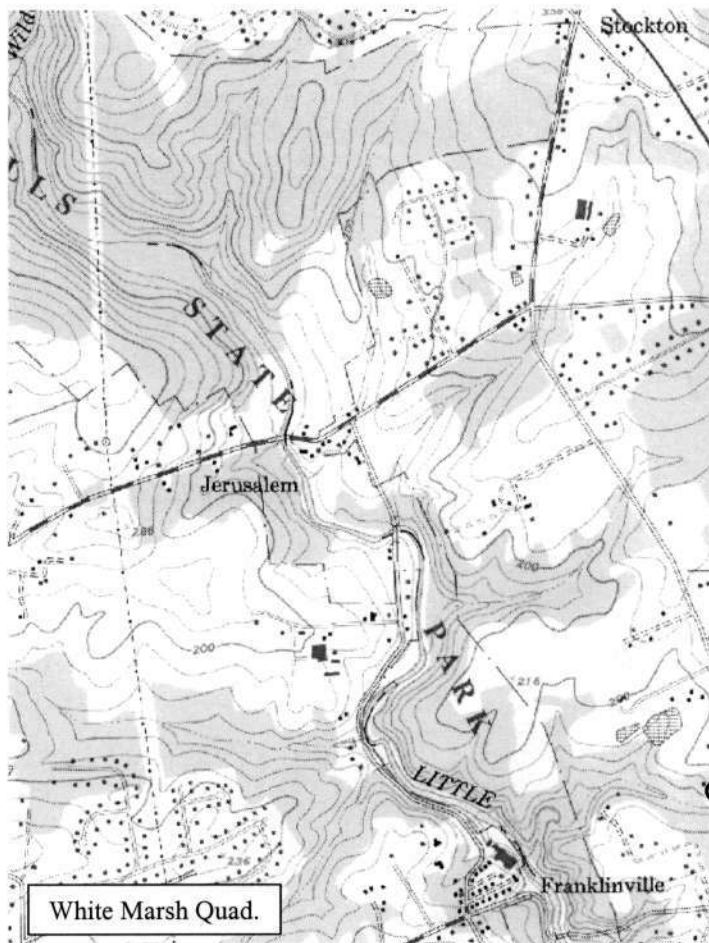
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Wood

1 story house on S side of house.

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Old Joppa Rd.
Stockton vicinity
White Marsh Quad.
Harford County



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Owens House HA-440

Joppa, MD

Southeast

Paul Penrod

8/76



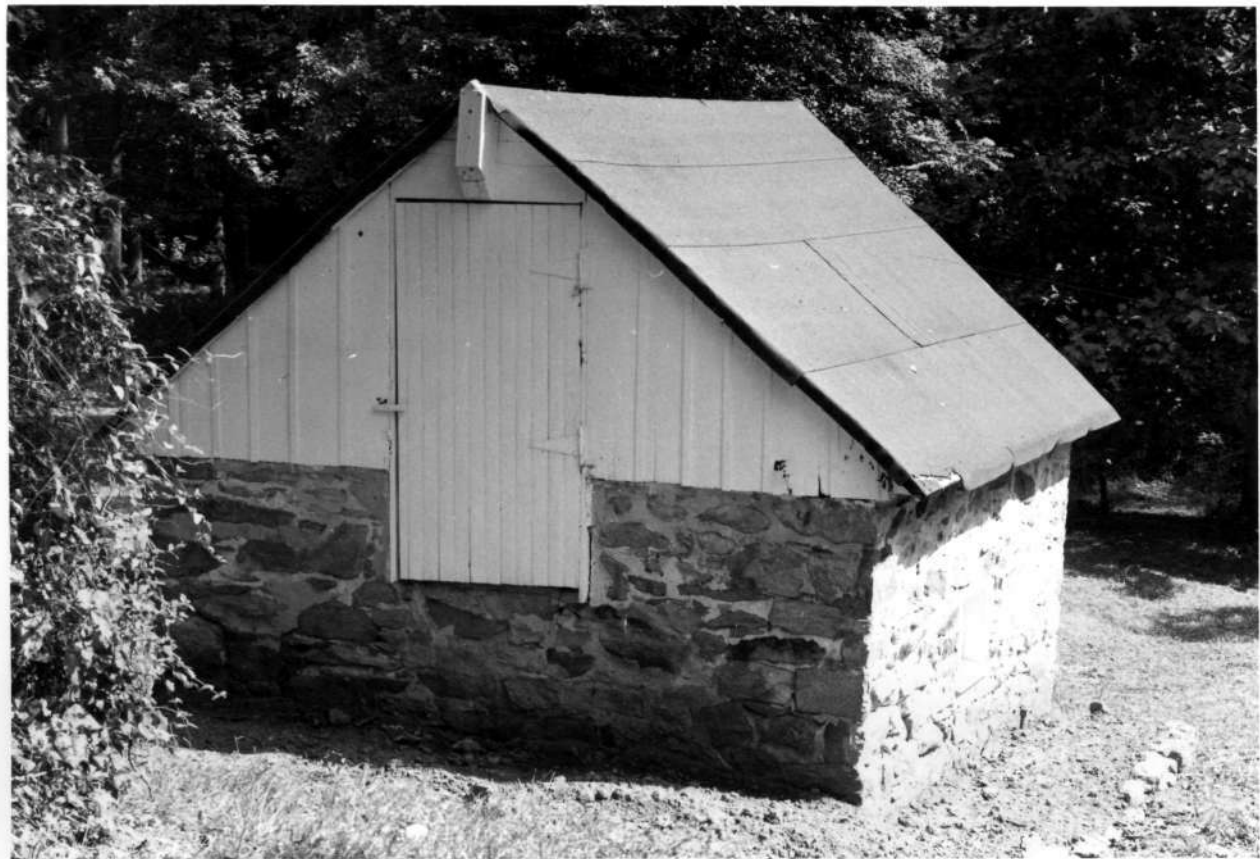
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Northwest
Paul Penrod

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Owens House-detail of datestone HA-440
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West wall
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Owens Spring House HA-440
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